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                                 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
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                                       DISTRICT OF NEVADA
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             DAN L. WULZ,
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                   Plaintiff,
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                                                    No.
             vs.
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             SUNRISE CREDIT SERVICES, INC.,)
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             a foreign corporation,
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                   Defendant.
                                                    JURY DEMANDED
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                        The jurisdiction of this Court attains pursuant to the
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             FDCPA, 15 U.S.C. § 1692k(d), 28 U.S.C. § 1331, 28 U.S.C. § 1332,
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             and the doctrine of supplemental jurisdiction. Venue lies in the
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             Southern Division of the Judicial District of Nevada as Plaintiff's
             claims arose from acts of the Defendant(s) perpetrated therein.
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                                     PRELIMINARY STATEMENT
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                        This action is instituted in accordance with and to
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          24 remedy Defendant's violations of the Federal Fair Debt Collection
          25 Practices Act, 15 U.S.C § 1692 et seq. (hereinafter "FDCPA"), and
          26 of related state law obligations brought as supplemental claims
          27 hereto.
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- In 2007, Defendant initiated a campaign of 3. unreasonable, and unlawful debt collection unfair. activity directed against Plaintiff in Las Vegas, Nevada.
- 4. As a result of these and other violations of law, Plaintiff seeks hereby to recover actual and statutory damages together with reasonable attorney's fees and costs.

PARTIES

- 5. Plaintiff, Dan L. Wulz, is a natural person who resides in Las Vegas, Nevada, and is a "consumer" as defined by 15 U.S.C. Section 1692a(3) and allegedly owes a "debt" as defined by 15 U.S.C. Section 1692a(5).
- Defendant, Sunrise Credit Services, Inc., is a foreign corporation, the principal purpose of whose business is the collection of debts, operating a debt collection agency from its principal place of business in Farmingdale, NY, and regularly collects or attempts to collect debts owed or due or asserted to be owed or due another, and is a "debt collector" as defined by 15 U.S.C. Section 1692a(6).

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- 7. Plaintiff(s) repeat, reallege and assert all factual allegations contained in the preliminary statement Complaint and reassert them as incorporated in full herein.
- 8. Plaintiff is the Deputy Executive Director of Clark County 26 Legal Services.

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- 9. Approximately one year ago Plaintiff received a new home telephone number.
- Over the last months Plaintiff has received calls from 10. Defendant attempting to collect money from Donald Bruce.
- Whenever Defendant has called, Plaintiff advised that he was not Mr. Bruce and that Defendant was to simply leave him alone.
- On Monday, October 15, 2007, at approximately 5:10 A.M. 12. Plaintiff received a call from Defendant which woke him up.
- 13. Defendant's 5:10 A.M. call was made in violation of FDCPA §§ 1692c(a)(1) and 1692d.
- Plaintiff's caller I.D. reflected the caller's number, 14. 800-244-0518.
 - 15. The name of the caller was not provided.
 - Plaintiff returned the call that same day at 10:35 A.M. 16.
 - Plaintiff repeatedly requested Defendant identify itself. 17.
- Defendant's representative refused to identify Defendant in violation of FDCPA §§ 1692d and 1692d(6).
- 19. Plaintiff's outgoing announcement conveys both his telephone number and identity.
- Plaintiff has received absolutely nothing in writing from Defendant.
- 21. Defendant's continued phone contacts to Plaintiff, times and at a place known to be inconvenient to Plaintiff, were <u>Services, Inc.</u>, 15 F.3d 1507, 1516, fn. 10 (9th Cir. 1994), <u>Austin</u> 26 v. Great Lakes Collection Bureau, Inc., 834 F. Supp. 557, 559 (D. Conn. 1993).

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- 22. The Defendant's repeated recalls to Plaintiff constituted harassment in violation of FDCPA §§ 1692d and 1692d(5). Fox v. Citicorp Credit Services, Inc., 15 F.3d 1507, 1516 (9th Cir. 1994), Bingham v. Collection Bureau, Inc., 505 F. Supp. 864, 873 (1981), Kuhn v. Account Control Technology, Inc., 865 F. Supp. 1443, 1452-53 (D. Nev. 1994).
- 23. The foregoing acts and omissions of Defendant were undertaken by it willfully, maliciously, and intentionally, knowingly, and/or in gross or reckless disregard of the rights of Plaintiff.
- 24. Indeed, the foregoing acts and omissions of Defendant were undertaken by it indiscriminately and persistently, as part of its regular and routine debt collection efforts, and without regard to or consideration of the identity or rights of Plaintiff.
- 25. As a proximate result of the foregoing acts and omissions of Defendant, Plaintiff has suffered actual damages and injury, including, but not limited to, stress, humiliation, mental anguish and suffering, and emotional distress, for which Plaintiff should be compensated in an amount to be proven at trial.
- 26. As a result of the foregoing acts and omissions of Defendant, and in order to punish Defendant for its outrageous and malicious conduct, as well as to deter it from committing similar acts in the future as part of its debt collection efforts, Plaintiff is entitled to recover punitive damages in an amount to be proven at trial.

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- 28 5. Award costs.

CAUSES OF ACTION

COUNT I

- 27. The foregoing acts and omissions of Defendant constitute violations of the FDCPA, including, but not limited to, Sections 1692d, 1692e, 1692f and 1692g.
- Plaintiff is entitled to recover statutory damages, actual damages, reasonable attorney's fees, and costs.

COUNT II

- 29. The foregoing acts and omissions constitute unreasonable debt collection practices in violation of the doctrine of Invasion of Privacy. Kuhn v. Account Control Technology, Inc., 865 F. Supp. 1443, 1448-49 (D. Nev. 1994); Pittman v. J. J. Mac Intyre Co. of Nevada, Inc., 969 F. Supp. 609, 613-14 (D. of Nev. 1997).
- Plaintiff is entitled to recover actual damages as well 30. as punitive damages in an amount to be proven at trial.

JURY DEMANDED

Plaintiff hereby demands trial by a jury on all issues so triable.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays that this Honorable Court grant the following relief:

- 1. Award actual damages.
- 2. Award punitive damages.
- 3. Award statutory damages of \$1,000 pursuant to 15 U.S.C.
- § 1692k.
 - 4. Award reasonable attorney fees.

1	6. Gr	ant such other a	and further relief as it dee	ems just and
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